

NORTH DAKOTA CROP, LIVESTOCK, & WEATHER REPORT



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General: The state experienced warmer than average temperatures and light, scattered rainfall this week, according to the National Agricultural Statistics Service, North Dakota Field Office. Topsoil moisture supplies were rated 1 percent very short, 19 short, 73 adequate, and 7 surplus while subsoil moisture supplies were rated 1 percent very short, 10 short, 76 adequate, and 13 surplus. Statewide, on average, there were 5.7 days suitable for fieldwork.

Crops: The warm temperatures provided good harvest conditions for most crops, but slowed progress on the sugarbeet harvest. Seventy-seven percent of the corn crop had reached the mature stage and 10 percent had been harvested for grain. Corn for silage was 85 percent chopped. Ninety-seven percent of dry edible beans had been cut and 95 percent had been harvested. Flaxseed was 95 percent harvested. As of October 9, 82 percent of potatoes were dug. Seventy-nine percent of soybeans were harvested. Eighteen percent of the sugarbeet crop was harvested. Ninety-one percent of sunflowers had bracts turned brown and 5 percent had been harvested. Other activities during the week included winter wheat planting.

Livestock: Stockwater supplies were rated 1 percent very short, 2 short, 84 adequate, and 13 surplus. Pasture and range conditions were rated 1 percent very poor, 8 poor, 29 fair, 55 good, and 7 excellent.

Crop and Pasture Condition North Dakota: October 9, 2011

Crop	Very poor (percent)	Poor (percent)	Fair (percent)	Good (percent)	Excellent (percent)
Corn.....	3	12	26	51	8
Soybeans.....	4	11	29	49	7
Sugarbeets.....	2	9	31	48	10
Sunflower.....	1	6	23	64	6
Pasture and range ...	1	8	29	55	7

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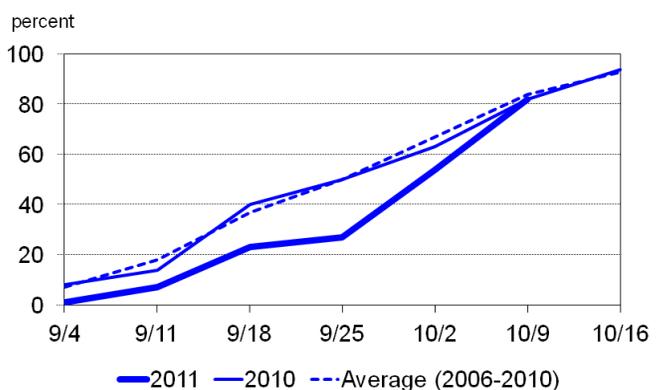
Crop Progress – North Dakota

(Percentages represent all acreage in or beyond each stage. Progress is based on current intended acreage.)

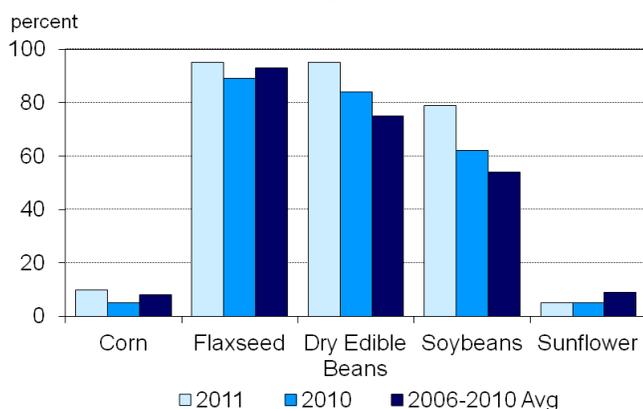
Crop	Oct 9, 2011 (percent)	Oct 2, 2011 (percent)	Oct 9, 2010 (percent)	2006-2010 Average (percent)
Corn, all				
Mature.....	77	58	95	78
Harvested.....	10	1	5	8
Corn for Silage				
Chopped.....	85	68	89	85
Dry edible beans				
Cut.....	97	82	90	85
Harvested.....	95	68	84	75
Flaxseed				
Harvested.....	95	80	89	93
Potatoes				
Dug.....	82	54	82	84
Soybeans				
Harvested.....	79	43	62	54
Sugarbeets				
Lifted.....	18	15	58	53
Sunflower				
Bracts Turned Brown.....	91	69	85	86
Harvested.....	5	1	5	9

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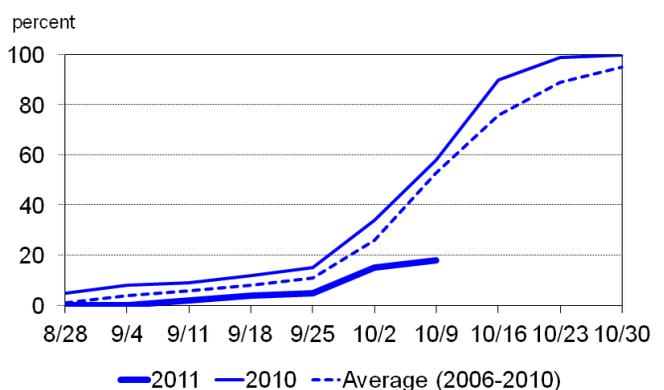
Potatoes Dug – North Dakota



Crops Harvested North Dakota: October 9, 2011



Sugarbeets Lifted – North Dakota



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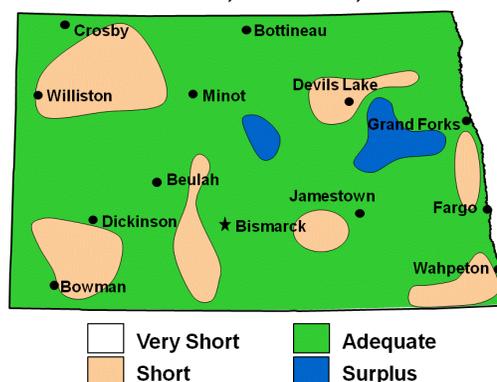
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Soil Moisture Supplies – North Dakota

Item	Oct 9, 2011	Oct 2, 2011	Oct 9, 2010	2006-2010 Average
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Topsoil				
Very Short..	1	2	-	7
Short	19	19	7	21
Adequate...	73	72	83	65
Surplus.....	7	7	10	7
Subsoil				
Very Short..	1	1	-	13
Short	10	10	6	23
Adequate...	76	75	82	57
Surplus.....	13	14	12	7

- Represents zero.

**Topsoil Moisture Supplies
 North Dakota, October 9, 2011**



Weather: Temperatures were above normal statewide. Precipitation was above normal in parts of the west and south central and below normal across much of the rest of the state. Monday was dry with highs in the 70s to mid-80s. Highs on Tuesday were in the upper 70s to low 90s with dry conditions. Wednesday was dry with highs in the mid to upper 80s. Highs on Thursday were in the upper 60s to low 80s with rain in the west and central. There was rain in the west on Friday with highs in the mid-50s to 70s. Highs on Saturday were in the mid-50s to 60s with dry conditions. There was rain across much of the state on Sunday with highs in the 50s to mid-60s.

Outlook, October 10-16: Temperatures will be above normal and precipitation will be near to below normal. Highs on Monday will be in the mid-50s to mid-60s with a chance of showers statewide. There will be a chance of showers in the northwest on Tuesday with highs in the mid-60s to low 70s. Highs on Wednesday will be in the upper 50s to mid-60s with a chance of showers across much of the state. The chance of showers will continue across much of the state on Thursday with highs in the mid-50s to low 60s. Friday will dry with highs in the 50s to low 60s. There will be a chance of showers across much of the state on Saturday with highs in the 50s. Sunday will be dry with highs in the 50s to low 60s.

**Temperature & Precipitation: Districts and Stations
 North Dakota, Week ending October 9, 2011**

District Averages	Average Temperature		Seasonal Precipitation Beginning April 1 ¹		
	Past Week	Depart Normal ²	Past Week	Total	Depart Normal ²
	(degrees F)	(degrees F)	(inches)	(inches)	(inches)
Northwest(1)	59	11	0.31	16.59	3.49
N. Central(2)	60	13	0.18	15.32	0.99
Northeast (3)	64	15	0.18	15.73	1.53
W. Central(4)	60	10	0.42	16.71	3.64
Central (5)	64	14	0.72	18.16	4.14
E. Central(6)	66	17	0.27	17.81	1.88
Southwest(7)	64	14	0.42	15.61	3.20
S. Central(8)	64	14	1.15	18.06	4.74
Southeast(9)	67	17	0.62	18.30	2.55

¹ Precipitation amounts may vary due to an inaccurate snowfall melt.
² Normal is the 1971-2000 average. Weather data collected from NDAWN stations and compiled by UND Aerospace Regional Weather Information Center.

**Temperature & Precipitation: Districts and Stations
 North Dakota, Week ending October 9, 2011**

Stations by District	Temperature past week		Seasonal precipitation beginning April 1 ¹		
	High	Low	Past week	Total	Depart normal ²
	(degrees F)	(degrees F)	(inches)	(inches)	(inches)
(1) Bowbells.....	86	31	0.35	16.42	2.60
Williston.....	85	34	0.32	14.66	3.89
Mohall.....	85	34	0.15	16.84	2.97
Minot.....	86	35	0.43	18.42	4.49
(2) Baker.....	86	41	0.23	17.35	3.63
Bottineau.....	87	27	0.16	13.58	-1.20
Rugby.....	87	35	0.14	15.04	0.53
(3) Cando.....	83	38	0.16	15.94	3.20
Cavalier.....	89	42	0.13	16.91	2.16
Forest River....	90	45	0.39	15.97	1.80
Grand Forks....	90	42	0.15	15.61	0.99
Langdon.....	86	38	0.06	12.88	-1.87
St. Thomas.....	86	45	0.20	17.06	2.89
(4) Hazen.....	85	36	0.39	18.80	5.57
Turtle Lake.....	84	40	0.63	13.99	0.38
Watford City....	84	33	0.25	17.35	4.97
(5) Carrington.....	85	44	0.46	20.55	4.78
Harvey.....	86	40	0.46	13.95	1.88
Jamestown.....	85	45	0.77	19.10	4.66
Robinson.....	84	45	1.00	17.36	3.70
Streeter.....	84	46	0.91	19.86	5.70
(6) Dazey.....	87	46	0.33	17.92	2.06
Fargo.....	87	48	0.28	17.35	1.57
Hillsboro.....	88	44	0.21	18.15	2.01
(7) Beach.....	89	41	0.44	14.95	3.01
Bowman.....	88	41	0.86	19.02	7.05
Dickinson.....	87	37	0.09	14.36	1.24
Hettinger.....	88	44	0.30	14.11	1.50
(8) Mandan.....	84	43	0.85	19.63	5.80
Linton.....	85	45	1.45	16.49	3.68
(9) Edgeley.....	85	48	0.91	18.38	3.19
Oakes.....	86	49	0.60	17.40	2.22
Wyndmere.....	88	50	0.35	19.12	2.25

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